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From: Denis E. Solomon PhD,  
To: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,  
USA Patent Office,  
P.O. Box 1450,  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dear Sir/Madam,  
This note comprises a 'letter of disclosure'.

On the 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> March 2007, I met with Alain Roman ([AROMAN@rd.loreal.com](mailto:AROMAN@rd.loreal.com)) and Anne De Brugerolle de Fraissinette, ([ADEBRUGEROLLE@skinethic.com](mailto:ADEBRUGEROLLE@skinethic.com)), CEO of SkinEthic, Nice, France at L'Oreal's HQ, 29, Quai Aulagnier, Paris, France.

I made a presentation of my UK granted patent 2004 ('A surgical-medical dressing for the treatment of body burns and for wound healing): equivalent USA application (2002; filing number 10, 076/266) and my March 7<sup>th</sup> 2006 USA patent application ('An improved method for the manufacture of cultured epithelial autografts') similarly applied for in the UK in September 2006.

During my presentation, I distinctly heard Mr Roman comment that the University of Miami had applied for patents to do with my 2006 USA application, which describes a new *in vitro* way of growing human skin, referred to by me in applications as 'autoengineering' by autologous human epidermal and dermal cells. Anne De Brugerolle de Fraissinette has since commented that she cannot recall the remarks made by Mr Roman. Mr Roman has failed to reply to my e-mail messages seeking further information on his comments.

### Background

During a 5 month period in 2001, The University had sponsored me (I worked alone) to do some work on my ideas on wound healing. I was not a member of staff and was not paid by the University. When my tenure ended, the University gave a letter which is enclosed. They refused to fund further work and counseled me that the work was a theoretical concept of no clinical use. The University did not claim any intellectual property rights since all experiments fell under the umbrella of concepts described in my already filed 2000 UK patent application, granted in 2004 (see below). Emeritus Professor Jeffrey Raines ([JRaines@med.miami.edu](mailto:JRaines@med.miami.edu)) will confirm my statements in this note. They knew that no member of staff had made any intellectual contribution to my work and publication.

In 2005, I happened to re-read my old manuscripts and realized the significance of an experimental procedure omitted from my 2002 publication, 'An *in vitro* examination of an extracellular matrix scaffold for use in wound healing' in the Int. J. Exp. Path. (London) 83, 209-216. My work was published under the University of Miami banner simply as a means of saying 'thank you'.

**Finally**

If any USA patents were granted by your office, I wish to point out respectfully that you have been misled by who ever the patent applicants happened to be. The intellectual property rights do not belong to them. **They belong to me.** Those applicants had to know when applying for any patent they were committing an unlawful act. I would be most grateful for you to look in these matters as a matter of some urgency and for your cooperation.

Yours respectfully,

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**1 A surgical-medical dressing for the treatment of body burns and for wound healing**

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**Inventor:** SOLOMON DENIS EON (GB); SOLOMON DENIS EON **Applicant:** SOLOMON DENIS EON (GB); SOLOMON DENIS EON (US)

**Publication info:** GB2365443B - 2004-12-22

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**2 A biotissue engineering technique for preparing human cells for transplant into damaged human hearts which includes an extracellular scaffold**

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**3 Bioabsorbable matrix for use as surgical/medical dressing**

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**4 Bioabsorbable matrix for use as surgical/medical dressing**

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**Inventor:** SOLOMON DENIS EON (US)

**Applicant:** SOLOMON DENIS EON (US)

**Publication info:** GB2365443A8 - 2002-03-04

**IPC:** A61L27/22 ; A61L27/38 (+6)

**5 Pre-conditioning of heart tissue**

in my patents lis

**Inventor:** SOLOMON DENIS EON (GB)

**Applicant:** SOLOMON DENIS EON (GB)

**Publication info:** GB2389589A - 2003-12-17

**IPC:** (IPC1-7) C12M3/00 ; C12N5/06

**6 Use of gaseous tritium light sources (Beta lights) with respect to nocturnal illumination**

in my patents lis

**Inventor:** SOLOMON DENIS EON

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**Publication info:** GB2203277A - 1988-10-12

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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** February 20, 2002

**TO:** Dr. Denis E. Solomon

**FROM:** Dr. Gary S. Margules

**SUBJECT:** U.K. Patent Application Number GB008079.6, filed on April 4, 2000, entitled "A Surgical-Medical Dressing for the Treatment of Body Burns and for Wound Healing" and Consulting Agreement



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Both papers have a sole author: DENIS E. SOLOMON